



Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

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Free Guided Gallery Tours at Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

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BEREA, Ky. – On Saturday, March 14, the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea will offer visitors free guided tours through the center's gallery exhibit, "Turn, Turn, Turn: Lathe-Turned Works by Kentucky Artisans" and the lobby exhibit, "Kentucky Murals by Frank W. Long."

The exhibit "Turn, Turn, Turn" features lathe-turned works by 20 Kentucky artists. It includes vessels, ornaments, jewelry, and even a wooden golf club. These works are created from wood, alabaster stone, Czechoslovakian glass seed beads, aluminum, stainless steel and sterling silver.

The lobby exhibit showcases the murals located in Kentucky created by artist Frank W. Long (1906-1999). These murals are on view in Berea, Lexington, Louisville and Morehead. From 1932-1942, Long lived and worked in Berea creating over 19 murals for public and federal buildings in the states of Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Oklahoma, Maryland and South Carolina.

These free, guided exhibit tours will be led by Kentucky Artisan Center staff who will talk about the exhibit, the artists and individual works. Staff will answer questions about the techniques and various processes used in the objects featured. Tours will be given at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m.

In addition, on March 14, Randal Richardson will demonstrate his oil painting techniques from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is located at 200 Artisan Way, just off Interstate 75 at Berea, Exit 77. The center's exhibits, shopping and travel information areas are open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. with the cafe open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is free.

The center currently features works by more than 700 artisans from more than 100 counties across the Commonwealth. For more information about the center's events call 859-985-5448, visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kentucky.artisan.center, or go to the center's website at www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov.

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is an agency in the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.



Photos left to right: "Star" by Robert Hendrickson; "Citrine Necklace" by Mark Needham; "Fire Ring" by Linda Fifield in the exhibit "Turn, Turn, Turn" at the Center; image of Frank W. Long's mural titled, "Berea Commencement in the Old Days," located in Berea's police and municipal building.